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HOUSE RANGE RESOURCE AREA

35 East 500 North

P.O. Box 778

Fillmore, Utah 84631

IN REPLY REFER TO:

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UT-054-92-16N 502301

UT-054-92-17N 502301

UT-054-92-18N 5023018

UT-054-92-19N 502302

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MINERALS PROGRAM
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September 17, 1992

Mike and Sandra Sprunger
Sprunger's Minerals
P.O. Box 38054
Leamington, UT 84638

Dear Mr. and Mrs. Sprunger:

Your notices to conduct mining related operations on your claims were received on August 27, 1992, and have been accepted by this office. Your notices have been assigned the following case file numbers:

Serendipity 1-8; UMC 268738-43 and 291198-9; T. 11 S., R. 11 W., Section 33 and T. 12 S., R. 11 W., Section 4; UT-054-92-16N.

Cactus 1-2; UMC 279234-5; T. 12 S., R. 11 W., Section 28; UT-054-92-17N.

Beryl 1-2; UMC 329597-8; and Eagle's Roost; UMC 28918; T. 12 S., R. 12 W., Sections, 3, 10, and 11; UT-054-92-18N.

Cubical 1-8; UMC 329589-96; T. 11 S., R. 11 W., Section 30, UT-054-92-19N.

Please use these numbers in any future correspondence concerning these notices. Your previous notices for mining related operations have been administratively closed and combined into these notice.

43 CFR 3809.1-3c(2) states: "(A) notice...shall include(,) when applicable, the name of the mining claim(s) and serial number(s)...on which disturbance will likely take place as a result of the operations". Due to an oversight on our part we have been accepting notices which include your entire claim groups, rather than just the claims upon which you are working, or are planning to work upon within the year. Please submit to us the names and numbers of the claims upon which you are working, and if you have plans to open up any new pits, please send a map showing the location of these pits, and indicate the claim upon which it will be located.

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If you change your operation from what is described in your notices, please contact this office prior to the change. If your operations extend for more than one year, please advise this office of the status of your mining related activity on the anniversary date of your notices.

Enclosed is a copy of the Standard Operating Procedures required by the Richfield District, House Range Resource Area. Please follow these guidelines as they pertain to your operation.

The operator should immediately notify this office if any cultural, archaeological, paleontological, or other historical remains or objects are discovered during operations. Such discoveries should be left intact until approval to proceed is given by the Authorized Officer.

A copy of your notice has been sent to the Utah Division of Oil, Gas and Mining (DOGM); therefore, you will not have to file this notice with DOGM. All mining claimants and operators that plan to use, store or divert water are required by Utah statute to notify the Utah Department of Environmental Quality, Division of Water Quality. Prior to the commencement of the proposed activity, all appropriate State water quality permits must be obtained from the Utah Department of Environmental Quality, Division of Water Quality, located at:

1636 West North Temple
Salt Lake City, Utah 84116-3156

During an on-site inspection with Sheri Wysong at your Serendipity claims, you brought up the question of placing rubble from the pit into the drainage which runs through it. Since the rubble is of the same composition as the material already found in the drainage, it would not cause a chemical change in the composition of the water. Therefore, as long as the drainage is not impeded or diverted in any way, and the rubble is of large enough size that it will not wash away and can be retrieved at the completion of the operation, it is acceptable to place it in the drainage. The pit must also be maintained so that it will collect no standing water from the drainage. Doing so would require that you obtain a permit from the Division of Water Quality. This requirement also applies to the pit you excavated on the Cubical claims.

As required by 43 CFR 3809 Surface Management Regulations, reasonable measures must be taken to prevent unnecessary or undue degradation of public lands during your operations. Please notify this office upon completion of operations and reclamation, so an inspection may be conducted on the site. Reclamation under this notice is required to conform to the standards of the Utah Mined Land Reclamation Act.

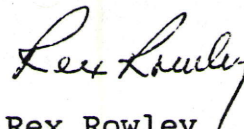
Enclosed are excerpts from the BLM reclamation manual, pertaining to topsoil salvaging and reclamation of drainages. Should you have any questions about these regulations, especially concerning the depth of topsoil you should be salvaging, please consult with this office and we will be happy to advise you. Also, if you would like a copy of the entire manual, we would be glad to send it to you for the cost of photocopying.

Also enclosed is an excerpt from the BLM manual concerning signs on mining claims. Since in the near future you anticipate changing the way you conduct your operations to a manner which would eliminate the need for the signs, your existing signs do not need to be removed right away. However, if upon the next bi-yearly inspection, the signs are still in place, I would like to arrange a meeting to discuss this issue.

Acceptance of your notice will not now, nor in the future, serve as a determination of the validity nor ownership of any mining claim included under your notice.

If you have any questions regarding this letter, please feel free to contact Rody Cox at (801) 743-6811. Thank you for submitting your notices.

Sincerely,


Rex Rowley
Area Manager

Enclosure:

1. Standard Operating Procedures
2. Hole Plugging Requirements
3. Excerpts from BLM manual
4. Pamphlet on patenting mining claims

cc: D. Wayne Hedberg, UDOGM